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Poor Old Shine Is All About Honesty and Handcrafted Creativity

Brecksville, Ohio – From hand-painted, cereal-box CD cases to thoughtful arrangements, the alt-Americana band *Poor Old Shine* comes to the stage at Happy Days Lodge as part of the Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Series. The show begins at 8 p.m. on Friday, October 25 in Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP). Doors open at 7 p.m. The group's performance is presented by the National Park Service and the Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park, celebrating the cultural legacy of the Cuyahoga Valley. This series is made possible thanks to the generous support of 89.7 FM (WKSU), Cable 9 Television, Courtyard by Marriott of Akron/ Stow, the Lloyd L. and Louise K. Smith Foundation, and Time Warner Cable.


Admission is \$17 adults, \$12 Conservancy members, and \$5 children ages 3 - 12. General seating. Advance sales are available until 3 p.m. on Friday by calling 330-657-2909, ext. 100.

Poor Old Shine travels with an assortment of instruments including guitars, banjos, pump organ, mandolin, string bass, musical saw, washboard, and a yard-sale-scrap-metal drum set. It's old songs with a new feel, banjos with paint peeled, shoes with holes and treadless soles, and music that is real.

Poor Old Shine features Chris Freeman (banjo), Max Shakun (guitar, pump organ), Antonio Alcorn (mandolin, banjo), and Harrison Goodale (bass). The band grew out of late night jam sessions at the University of Connecticut's Folk Music Society. On December 13, 2010, through a series of misunderstandings, a group of folk music club participants was accidentally booked for a show at Toad's Place in New Haven, Connecticut before any of them was aware they were in a band. And thus *Poor Old Shine* was born. Since then, they have played to sellout crowds at some of the best venues in New England, and at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C.

Happy Days Lodge, located at 500 West Streetsboro Road (State Route 303) in Peninsula 44264, 1 mile west of State Route 8, is a restored Civilian Conservation Corps structure that provides a rustic ambiance

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for folk and traditional concerts, theater, lectures, and special event rentals. For more information on rentals, call the Conservancy at 330-657-2909 ext. 119.

The Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park is a nonprofit organization created to engage public support for the park and provide services to enhance public use and enjoyment of the park. For more information about the Conservancy and its membership program, visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org or call 330-657-2909.

CVNP encompasses 33,000 acres along the Cuyahoga River between Cleveland and Akron, Ohio. Managed by the National Park Service, CVNP combines cultural, historical, recreational, and natural activities in one setting. For more information visit www.nps.gov/cuva or call 330-657-2752.

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